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Re: Complaint - MUR 6378

To Whom It May Concern:

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on behalf of that

This law firm represents Dwight Jones, a principal of Jones Outdoor Advertising, Inc. We have previously submitted information on behalf of that corporation under the same MUR number, and incorporate that response on behalf of Mr. Jones, personally, to the extent it is relevant.

Mr. Jones admits that he did cause the posting of the hillboards that were the subject of the complaint to the Commission. Mr. Jones did so in his role as President of the corporation, and corporate funds were used.

Mr. Jones made a good-faith mistake in believing that no disclaimer was required on the billboards. Before authorizing their display, he sought legal advice from a law firm other than this firm, and was advised that the law did not require any reporting or disclosure in connection with such signs. Mr. Jones relied on that advice.

We can only presume that the lawyer from that other firm took at face value the numerous public statements of many public officials, including the President and Rep. Giffords, that were detailed in our prior submission on behalf of Jones Outdoor Advertising, Inc. For whatever reason, many office-holders and news media disseminated public statements expressly stating that corporations are no longer required to disclose funding sources for campaign communications, and that Congress needed to enact new law to impose that requirement.

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Mr. Jones remedied the error immediately upon learning that the disclosure requirements of 2 U.S.C. 441d were actually still in effect after the Citizens United decision. The prior submission includes photos showing the disclaimer that was added to each billboard within days of receiving notice of the complaint to the Commission.

We Delieve, and assurt on behalf of Mr. Jones, that the Commission should take no action for reasons explained in our prior submission, and because there was no intent to violate the law or ecanonal anothing. Mr. Jones was just a victim of misbrating and/or ambiguous information.

We hope the Commission and its General Counsel will so appreciate that Mr. Jones is being forthcoming about this matter. It would have been an easy matter to reimburse the corporation and contend that he had funded the message personally. That would have set up a far more complex situation under the governing judicial decisions. See, e.g., F.E.C. v. Survival Educ. Fund., Inc. 65 F.3d 285 (2d Cir. 1995). In its Citizens United epinion, the Court seemed to suess that it was public interest in "the speech of purposate cuttiess" that justified like disclaimer requirement. 130 S.Ct. at 915.

Finally, we have been trying to engage the complaining campaign committee in discussion of alternatives to pressing this complaint. We have advised our client that the Commission has an Alternative Dispute Resolution program, our client would be very willing to participate in that process if we cannot resolve the issue with the complaining party otherwise.

Sincerely.

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